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SUBJ: BAMAKO, MALI; REDUCTION OF TOUR LENGTH

- A. NBO 13402 301133ZNOV76 (NOTAL)
- B. BKO 04483 091738ZDEC76 (NOTAL)

1. REF A APPLIES. AGREE WITH NINETY PERCENT OF YOUR RATIONALE
DESIRING MARRIED NCOIC AS CONTAINED IN REF B. FOR FURTHER INFORMATIO
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WITH REGARDS TO REF A:

A. MARRIED NCOICS IN MSGBN HAVE STANDARD TOUR LENGTH OF 30 MOS
(MCO 1306.2K).

B. R AND R/HOME LEAVE AVAILABLE TO DOS PERSONNEL ARE NOT AVAIL
TO MSG PERSONNEL.

C. CALVERT SYSTEM (HOMESTUDY) PUTS UNDUE EDUCATION HARSHIP ON
SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN OVER 30 MOS PERIOD.

2. IN TRAVELING TO POSTS THROUGHOUT AFRICA I HAVE FOUND THAT IN
SEVERE HARSHIP POSTS THE PRESENCE OF MARRIED NCOIC IS DESIRABLE,
BUT WHEN NCOIC HAS SMALL SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN THE OPPOSITE IS
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USUALLY TRUE WHEN PAR 1A, B, AND C ABOVE ARE TAKEN INTO LIGHT.

3. BEST POSSIBLE SITUATION IS MARRIED NCOIC WITH NO SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN AND 20 MOS TOUR WITH R AND R. UNFORTUNATELY, EXISTING MARINE CORPS PEGS, CONGRESSIONAL ACTION AND INACTION, AND PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT DIFFICULTIES PRECLUDE ALL THE ABOVE FOR THE TIME BEING. UNTIL THESE ARE RESOLVED, I BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR ALL INVOLVED; THE NCOIC, THE MSG DET, AND DOS SECURITY OPERATIONS, IF NCOICS ASSIGNED TO BAMAKO, MALI BE SINGLE AND HAVE A 15 MOS TOUR LENGTH.

4. FOR YOUR FURTHER INFORMATION, REDUCTIONS IN TOUR LENGTH WITH SINGLE NCOIC HAS ALSO BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR MOGADISCIO, SOMALIA. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU, AND DISCUSSING THIS MATTER FURTHER DURING MY NEXT INSPECTION OF THE BAMAKO MSGDET IN MAY 1977.

5. CO CO "F" SENDS.
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